CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A method comprising:

defining areas of ownership for users of a computer system;

receiving a proposed modification from a first user of said users, said first user being an owner of said proposed modification, wherein a set of said users are stakeholders in said proposed modification; and

receiving decisions from a selected set of said stakeholders on approval of said proposed modification.

- 2. The method of Claim 1 further comprising providing a list of said stakeholders to said owner.
- 3. The method of Claim 2 further comprising receiving a selection of said set of said stakeholders from said owner.
- 4. The method of Claim 3 further comprising providing a notification to said set of said stakeholders of said proposed modification.
- 5. The method of Claim 1 wherein at least one of said set of said stakeholders rejects said proposed modification.
- 6. The method of Claim 5 further comprising providing a rejection notification to said owner.
- 7. The method of Claim 1 further comprising determining if all necessary approvals have been received.
- 8. The method of Claim 7 wherein said determining if all necessary approvals have been received comprises determining if said set of said stakeholders approved said proposed modification.

- 9. The method of Claim 8 wherein said set of said stakeholders approved said proposed modification if all stakeholders of said set of said stakeholders approved said proposed modification.
- 10. The method of Claim 7 wherein a determination is made that said all necessary approvals have been received, said method further comprising granting said owner permission to implement said proposed modification.
- 11. The method of Claim 10 wherein said owner implements said proposed modification.
 - 12. The method of Claim 1 further comprising: receiving a notification of said proposed modification; reviewing said proposed modification; and entering a decision of said proposed modification.
- 13. The method of Claim 12 further comprising amending said proposed modification.
- 14. The method of Claim 1 further comprising assigning an ownership of said proposed modification from said owner to a new owner.
 - 15. A method comprising:

defining areas of ownership for users of a computer system;

receiving a proposed modification from a first user of said users, said first user being an owner of said proposed modification;

determining that said owner has permission to implement said proposed modification; and

providing a permission notification to said owner.

- 16. The method of Claim 15 wherein said owner implements said proposed modification upon receiving said permission notification.
 - 17. A method comprising:

submitting a proposed modification;

receiving a list of stakeholders in said proposed modification;

selecting a set of said stakeholders; and determining if permission to implement said proposed modification has been granted.

- 18. The method of Claim 17 wherein upon a determination that said permission to implement said proposed modification has been granted, said method further comprising implementing said proposed modification.
- 19. The method of Claim 17 further comprising receiving approval decisions on said proposed modification from said set of said stakeholders.
- 20. The method of Claim 17 further comprising making said proposed modification.
 - 21. A system comprising:
- a means for defining areas of ownership for users of a computer system;
- a means for receiving a proposed modification from a first user of said users, said first user being an owner of said proposed modification, wherein a set of said users are stakeholders in said proposed modification; and
- a means for receiving decisions from a selected set of said stakeholders on approval of said proposed modification.
- 22. A computer-program product, comprising a computer-readable medium containing computer program code comprising:

a multi-user participation role based administration application for defining areas of ownership for users of a computer system;

said multi-user participation role based administration application for receiving a proposed modification from a first user of said users, said first user being an owner of said proposed modification, wherein a set of said users are stakeholders in said proposed modification; and

said multi-user participation role based administration application for receiving decisions from a selected set of said stakeholders on approval of said proposed modification.

23. A computer system comprising:

a memory having stored therein a multi-user participation role based administration application; and

a processor coupled to said memory, wherein execution of said multi-user participation role based administration application generates a method comprising:

defining areas of ownership for users of a computer system;

receiving a proposed modification from a first user of said users, said first user being an owner of said proposed modification, wherein a set of said users are stakeholders in said proposed modification; and

receiving decisions from a selected set of said stakeholders on approval of said proposed modification.